

1 whelming vote with regard to this particular section and
2 reject the amendment.

3 Let me tell you of a couple of experiences I had
4 during my campaign and since, when I appeared before a
5 couple of political clubs. A number of lawyers, some of
6 whom I knew and some of whom I didn't know, indicated that
7 they did not approve of the Commission Draft in this re-
8 gard, with regard to noncompetitive elections because they
9 wanted the opportunity to become judges. They said they
10 know a nominating commission would never put them before
11 the governor; and so they would never become judges. They
12 knew that they had the backing of their political clubs
13 and politicians in their areas, and they thought they
14 could beat incumbent judges. That is not the way I want
15 my judges selected.

16 I suggest that there is no reason to provide
17 any different method for the election of trial court
18 judges and Appellate Court judges, and I refer you to
19 Page 15 of the Memorandum, Committee Memorandum of the
20 Majority, referring to the Institute of Judicial Administra-
21 tion Survey of the Judicial System in Maryland, conducted